

02-682 VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS v. LAW OFFICES OF CURTIS TRINKO

Ruling below: CA 2, 305 F.3d 89.

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

~~1. Whether allegations of inadequacies in a monopolist's affirmative assistance to its rivals, including resellers--as newly provided by incumbent local telephone companies under the Telecommunications Act of 1996--state a claim for unlawful unilateral predatory conduct under Section 2 of the Sherman Act.~~

~~2. Whether antitrust and Communications Act standing extends to indirect purchasers, i.e., the customers of the defendant's customer, asserting injuries wholly derivative of the direct customer's injury, even when invoking only the direct customer's legal rights.~~

CERT. GRANTED: 3/10/03

Limited to the following question:

"Did the Court of Appeals err in reversing the District Court's dismissal of respondent's antitrust claims?"